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What is EPIC?

- A. A coordinated effort to bring technology frontiers closer for ratepayer benefit
- B. A bridge over gaps between the status quo and California's policy goals
- C. A ~\$168 million annual CPUC program established by Decisions D.11-12-035 and 12-05-037
- D. All of the above

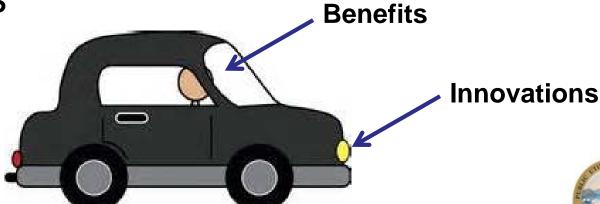




EPIC Goals

- Provide ratepayer benefits: Reliability, safety, and lower costs
- Advance pre-commercial innovations and provide market facilitation for commercialstage ones

R&D and reasonable probability





Program Design and Research Areas

APPLIED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Focuses on validating new ideas and technologies

TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION AND DEPLOYMENT

Demonstrates strategies at real-world scales

MARKET FACILITATION

Overcomes non-technical hurdles to increase market adoption and expansion of emerging solutions

Image: California Energy Commission





Other particulars

- Triennial Application cycles:
 - 2012-2014 \$467M "EPIC 1"
 - 2015-2017 \$509M "**EPIC 2**"
 - Authorized through 2020
- 80% = CEC, 20% = PG&E, SCE, SDG&E (demonstrations only)





EPIC Tracks & Timelines

2012-2014 Investment Plans

Approved 11/2013 (D.13-11-025)

Administrators implementing (solicitations, scoping and selecting projects)

2015-2017 Investment Plans

Approved 4/2015 (A.14-04-034 et al) Administrators implementing (solicitations, scoping and selecting projects)

2018-2020 Investment Plans

To be filed in 2017





Evaluation, Oversight, and Coordination

- The CPUC will continue to oversee the implementation of the EPIC program
- Program administrators file reports annually on February 28
- CPUC will hire an independent evaluator to review the EPIC program by 2016
- Close coordination is a priority
 - Upcoming symposium in winter 2015 is intended to facilitate coordination





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